September 28, 1977

Memo to File:

Re: Colt Mesa Mining Company/ Chinook Construction, Ltd. Smiths Fee Ground - ACT/015/016 Emery County, Utah

This surface uranium mine was inspected on the 21st of September by Brian Buck and myself.

The inspection was made to determine whether the mine was still active and if work is proceeding as scheduled.

Some new disturbance found here was an exploratory road being constructed to the east of the active pit. The bulk of the present work, however, is being done in the vicinity of the active pit. Drill holes #409 and #410 are immediately adjacent to the I-70 visual corridor.

A more detailed vegetation survey revealed deseret ash, galleta grass, and ephedra to predominate on the outcrop adjacent to the active pit.

A filing has been made for this operation by Chinook/Colt Mesa and the Division now anticipates receiving a map and surety before proceeding with the approval process.

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